STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2135

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2583

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Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2583 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS AND NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION LASER COMMUNICATIONS GROUND STATION INITIATIVE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for an engineering assessment of a proposal to establish a laser optical communications ground station in Hawaii.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Accounting and General Services, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems, International Ventures Associates, Shackleton Energy Company, Near Earth LLC, JAMSS America Incorporated, Ferraro Choi and Associates Ltd., and four individuals.

Your Committee finds that this measure will enhance the State's role in the field of laser communications technology, as it could be the home to the first operational laser communications station and would provide high technology job opportunities for both the public and private sectors.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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- (1) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified sum; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2583, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2583, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DAVID V ICE Cha

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)					
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.			. 141 ().		1 1 K
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					V
ESPERO, Will					
KAHELE, Gilbert					
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KOUCHI, Ronald D.					
RUDERMAN, Russell E.					
THIELEN, Laura H.					
TOKUDA, Jill N.					
SLOM, Sam					
					
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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